

Jabez Snow – Eastham Land Records 1650-1745

Jabez Snow was the son of Nicholas and Constance Hopkins Snow. He was born probably in the 1640's and was one of twelve children. His older brothers were Mark, Joseph and Stephen. He married Elizabeth Smith about 1670 and they had five children. He was active in Town affairs and held positions including juryman, surveyor and selectman. He was a freeman in the 1680's and he was Lieutenant of the military company. Jabez died in December 1690. Jabez and Elizabeth probably are buried in unmarked graves in Eastham Cove Burying Ground.

1683

Granted to Jabez Snow a former grant to his father Nicholas Snow which was four acres of meadow at Little Billingsgate. The meadow was at Griffins Island next to the Herring River and next to land of Daniel Cole. Bounds were indicated by marked trees. PDF M198.

1685

Jabez Snow, John Mayo, Thomas Paine, Jonathan Sparrow and Samuel Treat were appointed as a committee of five with full power to adjudicate any differences between the Town Purchasers and the Town in reference to disposing of lands within the Town. PDF P51.

1700

Granted to Jabez Snow fifteen acres of upland next to the way that went to Billingsgate and between the Halfway Ponds and Church's Brook and near the cart way that went to Silver Spring. Bounds were indicated by marked trees. PDF M198, M199, S53.

1703

A committee was chosen with the agreement of Jabez Snow, Stephen Snow and Micaiah Snow to settle the bounds of a meadow formerly granted to Nicholas Snow. A way was to be set up through the meadow to be open at all times. The meadow was next to land of Josiah Cooke. The dimensions indicate the meadow was about six acres. Bounds were indicated by stakes. PDF M139, M140.

Granted to Jabez Snow, Samuel Doane, Samuel Higgins and Henry Young and their heirs a parcel of meadow on the Middle Flat of the Town Flats next to the lot of Thomas Doane, Constant Freeman and John Knowles. The dimensions indicate the parcel was about four acres. Bounds were indicated by stakes. PDF A280, M167.

1711

Granted to Jabez Snow and his heirs about four acres of upland at Skiff Hill on the westerly side of Mr. Treat's land. Bounds were indicated by stones in the ground. PDF T26.

Granted to Jabez Snow and his heirs about ten acres for his wood lot and tenement lot next to the way that went to Silver Spring and next to his other land. Bounds were indicated by marked trees. PDF T26.

Granted to Jabez Snow, George Brown, Joseph Collins Sr., Joseph Collins Jr., Isaac Higgins and Edward Knowles the third lot out of twenty-four lots at Great Island at Billingsgate. The lot dimensions were not given in the record but probably the lot was about seven acres like most of the other lots at Great Island. Bounds were indicated by stakes. PDF T86.

1715

Granted to Jabez Snow and his heirs about twenty acres for his wood lot near the Muddy Pond and on the easterly side of the way that went towards Billingsgate and near the way that came up from the harbor's mouth leaving a forty foot way through the property to land of Samuel Freeman. Bounds were indicated by marked trees and stones. PDF T231.

Granted to Jabez Snow and his heirs two parcels of land for wood lots. One parcel was between the cartway to Mill Meadow and the wood lot of Thomas Cole and near the wood lot of Isaac Atwood. The dimensions were not complete but it appears the wood lot was at least ten acres. The second parcel was about forty acres based on the dimensions given. This lot was next to Jabez Snow's other land on the southerly side of Church's Brook and near the way to John Brown's house. Bounds of both parcels were indicated by marked trees and stones. PDF T271.

1716

Jabez Snow and John Knowles purchased for themselves from the Proprietors for one pound about one-half acre at the end of the long swamp near Skiff Hill and near land of Samuel Treat. A convenient way was to be maintained to allow carts to cross the southerly end of the land down to the water. PDF T309.

The Eastham land owned by Jabez Snow and his heirs described in these records amounts to about 110 acres. Up to 1745 thirty more Snows including his father received Eastham land grants.